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In re Application of: G. Herrmann, et al.
Application No.: 10/053,245
Filed: January 15, 2002
Title: SURGICAL CLIP

Examiner: J. Woo
Art Unit: 3731

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an **AMENDMENT** in the above-identified application.

FEE CALCULATION:

				SMALL ENTITY		LARGE ENTITY	
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL	23	23	0	X 9	\$	X18	\$ 0
INDEPENDENT	1	3	0	X 43	\$	X86	\$ 0
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM			+145	\$	+290	\$ 0	
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE				\$			\$ 0

ENCLOSURE(S):

[X] *Amendment dated June 22, 2004 -- 9 pages*
[X] *Associate Power of Attorney*
[X] *The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the payment of the required fee(s) or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0625.*

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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed on April 7, 2004.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.